

1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
2 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
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4 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

5 v.

16 CR 19 (PGG)

6 MAALIK ALIM JONES,

7 Defendant.
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8 New York, N.Y.
9 April 10, 2017
10 10:40 a.m.

11 Before:

12 HON. PAUL G. GARDEPHE,

13 District Judge

14 APPEARANCES

15 GEOFFREY S. BERMAN
16 United States Attorney for the
Southern District of New York

17 SHAWN CROWLEY
Assistant United States Attorney

18 SEAN MICHAEL MAHER
Attorney for Defendant

19 ALSO PRESENT: Mary Boese and Brendon Mooney, FBI

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1 (Case called)

2 THE DEPUTY CLERK: Is the government ready?

3 MS. CROWLEY: Yes. Good morning, your Honor. Shawn
4 Crowley for the government. Joining me at counsel table is
5 Special Agent Mary Boese and Special Agent Brendon Mooney from
6 the FBI.

7 THE COURT: Counsel for the defendant.

8 MR. MAHER: Yes. Good morning, your Honor. Sean
9 Maher for Mr. Jones who is present.

10 THE COURT: At a December 19, 2016, conference, I set
11 a schedule for defense motions due on January 31 and a trial
12 date of May 8, 2017.

13 Since that conference, there have been four requests
14 for extensions of the briefing schedule, which I have granted,
15 all on the premise that the parties were discussing a possible
16 pretrial disposition.

17 The parties recently requested a fifth extension on
18 the briefing schedule which would have taken us out beyond the
19 trial date. So I wanted to speak with the parties and find out
20 what the future of the case was going to be. They proposed
21 shifting the trial date to December, and I wouldn't do that
22 without making sure the defendant understood the ramifications
23 of that.

24 So, Mr. Maher, have there been any developments in the
25 case since the last letter?

1 MR. MAHER: Yes, there have. At this point, I would
2 request a change of plea before your Honor or however
3 your Honor wants to proceed with that.

4 THE COURT: We can do the plea on April 17 at
5 10:00 a.m.

6 Is that convenient?

7 MR. MAHER: Yes, it is.

8 THE COURT: Ms. Crowley?

9 MS. CROWLEY: That's fine. Judge, I'd just like to
10 add that the plea agreement that was offered and will be
11 accepted, I believe, contemplates that the defendant will be
12 waiving indictment and pleading to a superseding information,
13 just so the Court is aware of that.

14 THE COURT: Is there anything else we should talk
15 about today?

16 MS. CROWLEY: Not from the government.

17 MR. MAHER: Not from the defense.

18 THE COURT: All right. So we'll adjourn until Monday,
19 10:00 a.m.

20 MS. CROWLEY: Thank you, Judge.

21 MR. MAHER: Thank you.

22 (Adjourned)